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SUBJ: TOPICS RAISED BY COLONEL ACHEAMPONG AT CREDENTIALS
CEREMONY

1. IN CONVERSATION FOLLOWING FORMAL PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS,
ACHEAMPONG RAP ED FOLLOWING THREE TOPICS IN ORDER:

A. REFUSAL OF US TO GRANT GHANA AIRWAYS ROUTE TO NEW YORK AND
THEREBY PROVIDE RECIPROCITY FOR PANAM ROUTES TO ACCRA.

B. FAILURE OF US TO SIGN INTERNATIONAL COCOA AGREEMENT.

C. DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED BY GHANAIAAN STUDENTS IN US IN
FINDING SUMMER EMPLOYMENT AND EXTENDING STAY IN US BEYOND COM-
PLETION OF STUDIES.

2. I WAS MODERATELY SURPRISED THAT HE TOOK THIS OCCASION (AND
"ON CAMERA" AS CBS WAS FILMING AT TIME HE RAISED TOPICS) TO
MENTION THESE MATTERS. IT DOES, HOWEVER, GIVE US MEASURE OF
ISSUES WHICH, FOR THE MOMENT, ARE HIGHEST ON GOG LIST. ONE CAN
SURMISE THAT THESE WILL REMAIN ISSUES BUT (OTHER THAN AIR ROUTE)
WILL NO DOUBT BE SUPERSEDED FROM TIME TO TIME BY OTHERS OF
MORE IMMEDIACY.

3. ACHEAMPONG'S FORMAL REPLY TO MY REMARKS WAS WARM BUT CON-
TAINED NO SPECIFIC POINTS REQUIRING ACTION ON OUR PART. COPIES
BEING POUCHED AS ENCLOSURE TO AIRGRAM ON CEREMONY.

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